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that he had made efforts to obtain support for this program from various publishing houses and other interested organizations, but since most of them are directly involved in the program they felt any effort they might make would be considered as self-serving. Lehman feels that support from the Director would be of great value to this program. The program is administered in USIA by Mr. Robert M. Beers, Acting Chief of the Informational Media Guaranty Division (x5217). Mr. Lehman was advised that we would look into the matter and be back in touch with him.

- 6. Spencer Beresford, Counsel for the House Science and Astronautics Committee, called to change the date of our appearance before the Committee from 1 June to 5 June. He said he had discussed our appearance with Chairman Brooks and learned that the Chairman would be out of town on the lat. Dr. Scoville has been advised of this change in date.
- 7. Mr. Beresford also stated that Congressman Anfuso's subcommittee will begin hearings on 28 May on the Soviet lunik shot. Anfuso's subcommittee will be concerned only with the shot itself and not with any background information. Anfuso would like to have the Agency submit a short paper (2-3 pages) containing a comparison of Soviet and United States space technology. The purpose of the paper would be to permit the subcommittee to better assess material concerning the Soviet shot. This has been discussed with (OSI).

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